

**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR**

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Submission to the Council

**REPORT ON FIRST DRAFT BUDGET**

**Purpose**

Purpose of this report is to present to the Council the First Draft Budget for 2017/2018.

**Background**

Chapter 4, Section 28 of the Municipal Finance Management Act No. 56 of 2003 prescribes. The council of a municipality must for each financial year approve an annual budget for the municipality before the start of that financial year. In order for a municipality to comply with subsection (1), the mayor of the municipality must table the annual budget at a council meeting at least 90 days before the start of the budget year.

**Contents of annual budgets and supporting documents**

- (1) An annual budget of a municipality must be a schedule in the prescribed format
  - (a) Setting out realistically anticipated revenue for the budget year from each revenue source;
  - (b) Appropriating expenditure for the budget year under the different votes of the municipality;
  - (c) Setting out indicative revenue per revenue source and projected expenditure by vote for the two financial years following the budget year;
  - (d) Setting out—
    - (i) Estimated revenue and expenditure by vote for the current year; and
    - (ii) Actual revenue and expenditure by vote for the financial year preceding the current year; and
  - (e) A statement containing any other information required by section 215(3) of the Constitution or as may be prescribed.
- (2) An annual budget must generally be divided into a capital and an operating budget in accordance with international best practice, as may be prescribed.
- (3) When an annual budget is tabled in terms of section 16(2), it must be accompanied by the following documents:

(a) Draft resolutions

- (i) approving the budget of the municipality;
- (ii) Imposing any municipal tax and setting any municipal tariffs as may be required for the budget year; and
- (iii) approving any other matter that may be prescribed;

(b) measurable performance objectives for revenue from each source and for each vote in the budget, taking into account the municipality's integrated development plan;

(c) a projection of cash flow for the budget year by revenue source, broken down per month;

(d) any proposed amendments to the municipality's integrated development plan following the annual review of the integrated development plan in terms of section 34 of the Municipal Systems Act;

(e) any proposed amendments to the budget-related policies of the municipality;

(f) particulars of the municipality's investments;

(g) any prescribed budget information on municipal entities under the sole or shared control of the municipality;

(h) particulars of all proposed new municipal entities which the municipality intends to establish or in which the municipality intends to participate;

(i) particulars of any proposed service delivery agreements, including material amendments to existing service delivery agreements;

(j) particulars of any proposed allocations or grants by the municipality to—

- (i) other municipalities;
- (ii) any municipal entities and other external mechanisms assisting the municipality in the exercise of its functions

or powers;

(iv) any other organs of state;

(v) any organisations or bodies referred to in section 67(1);

(k) the proposed cost to the municipality for the budget year of the salary, allowances and benefits of

- (i) each political office-bearer of the municipality;
- (ii) councillors of the municipality; and
- (iii) the municipal manager, the chief financial officer, each senior manager of the municipality and any other official of the municipality having a remuneration package greater than or equal to that of a senior manager;

(l) the proposed cost for the budget year to a municipal entity under the sole or shared control of the municipality of the salary, allowances and benefits of—

- (i) each member of the entity's board of directors; and
  - (ii) the chief executive officer and each senior manager of the entity;
- and
- (m) any other supporting documentation as may be prescribed.

### **Recommendation**

- 1.1 That the Council take note and approve the report on the First Draft Budget 2017/2018**
- 1.2 That the Council take note and approve the changes in the general tariff list for 2017/2018 budget year.**
- 1.3 That the Council take note and approve the operating budget as well as the Capital Budget for the coming financial year 2017/2018.**

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MAYOR

28/03/2017  
Date